Rs. 1000/- per case for emergency obstetrict cases at the sub-district and CHC levels.

(iii) An 18 weeks training programme for training of MBBS doctors on Life Saving Anaesthetic Skills for Emergency Obstetric care has been initiated on a pilot basis at the All India Institute of Medical Sciences. Based on the experience from this pilot programme, it will be extended to other medical colleges in the country.

Fast track approval of drugs

4523. SHRI BALKAVI BAIRAGI :
SHRI MOOLCHAND MEENA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some of the new drugs are also being cleared on fast track basis;

(b) the criteria for the selection of drugs for fast track approvals; and

(c) what are the names of the experts under different categories to whom such applications are referred for expert opinion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) and (b) Certain critical drugs like anti-cancer, anti-HIV/anti-retrovirals and Immuno-suppressants etc. which are critical from the point of view of public health, are cleared on a fast track basis. This is however, subject to the submission of all required data as per provisions of Schedule Y of Drugs and Cosmetics Rules and opinion from the experts.

(c) The experts are mainly the Heads of Departments of the subjects concerned in various renowned Medical Institutions/Government hospitals in the country, renowned Medical Oncologists and experts from NACO etc.

Films shown for creating social awareness

4524. SHRI PRASANTA CHATTERJEE :
SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) how many films were shown during the last two years in West Bengal, Assam, Orissa and Tripura for creating social awareness;

(b) whether any target was fixed in this regard;

(c) if so, whether the same has been achieved; and

(d) the action proposed to give wide publicity in order to make them a success?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA) : (a) To create social awareness, two short films, *viz.* "Bheet" and "Boul Geet" produced by the Films Division in Bangla language have been telecast from Doordarshan Kendra, Kolkata. Another feature film, "Daman" has been released in the cinema theatrical circuit in all over India including these States.

In addition, the following programmes are telecast through Doordarshan Kendras for creating awareness on Family Welfare and Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) issues:

(i) A magazine programme "Kalyani" is being telecast every week from Bhubaneshwar, Guwahati and seven other States;

(ii) Twenty-six episode serial "Sheela" on RCH/Family Welfare issues has been telecast from Kolkata and Bhubaneshwar ; and

(iii) Video spots on RCH issues are telecast through National Channel covering West Bengal, Orissa and North Eastern Region.

(b) to (d) Dissemination of information on various family welfare and RCH issues is one of the important objectives of this Department. This is being pursued through electronic and print media and through inter-personal communication and local specific activities. Since it is awareness generation programme, no target is possible to fix. However, our attempt is to coveryall eligible couples, mothers and adolescents in rural, hilly and remote areas.

Unrecognised MD degrees

4525. SHRI SURESH KALMADI :
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA :

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are many Institutes in the capital and other parts of the country that are awarding MD degrees to doctors that are recognized neither by Medical Council of India nor the Ministry;

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in this regard;

(c) whether some of the doctors with such degrees have filed cases to get their degrees registered with Medical Council and the Ministry; and